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**Sent:** Mon 6/20/2016 4:24:25 PM  
**Subject:** RE: June 17 Exide meeting - draft agenda for your input

Cindy,

Thanks to you and Angelo for coming to San Francisco for this important conversation. I hope your return home was uneventful; by now, you are en route to Peru! Let's do all we can to keep this group together and ready to meet with the advisory group in August, to show more of a management presence reflective of our actual engagement.

With thanks,

Alexis

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Alexis-Thank you for coordinating a very productive meeting yesterday. I appreciated everyone's willingness to partner and collaborate. As agreed, Angelo and I will develop draft policy objectives for consideration and discussion at our next meeting. We look forward to seeing everyone soon.

Cindy

Cynthia Harding

Interim Director

Los Angeles County Department of Public Health

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 15, 2016, at 5:19 PM, Strauss, Alexis <[Strauss.Alexis@epa.gov](mailto:Strauss.Alexis@epa.gov)> wrote:

Dear Colleagues:

I welcome your input in shaping an agenda for our discussion on Friday. To that end, we propose this draft. If you have any written materials to inform and support our discussions, please share those with this group by close of business tomorrow. One reminder: if you're participating from our Los Angeles office, please advise Steven Leonido-John and me.

Kind Regards,

Alexis

12:55 pm     Security screening in first floor lobby, EPA escort to 19th floor.

1:00 pm       Welcome and Intros (5 min)

Friday's objectives - Alexis (5 min)

- how to maximize and leverage collective expertise and resources to support the site work and affected neighborhoods
- focus on developing a multiagency operational framework

1:10 pm       Highlights and upcoming opportunities and challenges (all)

Cal EPA – Matt Rodriguez

DTSC -

Overview of actions – Barbara Lee

Community and Local Government Coordination Activities - Ana Mascarenas

Detailed closure and cleanup activities update – Zoe Bayar

County of Los Angeles – Cynthia Harding, Angelo Bellomo

City of Los Angeles – Lauren Faber, Matt Petersen

US EPA – Alexis Strauss, Enrique Manzanilla, Tom Huetteman (for Jeff Scott)

2:00 pm      DTSC-proposed management objectives and operational framework

Discuss roles and responsibilities, internal and external communications, other

2:40 pm      Next steps, action items summarized

3:00 pm      Adjourn

**From:** Strauss, Alexis

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**Subject:** June 17 Exide meeting

Dear Colleagues,

Thank you very much for agreeing to meet on Friday, June 17 with us regarding Exide. We plan to meet at EPA's Regional Office, at 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, on the 19<sup>th</sup> floor, from 1:00 – 3:00 pm. If you wish to join by videoconference, please use our So. California Field Office, at 600 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, 14th floor (please let me and Steven Leonido-John, director of our So. California Field Office, know in advance).

On Friday, our objective is to discuss how we can best maximize and leverage our respective expertise and resources to support the enormously important work to address the Exide Vernon facility. With Cal EPA, DTSC, the County of Los Angeles, the City of Los Angeles, and many other authorities engaged in different aspects of this multifaceted and resource-intensive undertaking, I propose focusing our initial discussion on articulating a unified multiagency operational framework to share management objectives, delineate commitments and roles of different governmental entities, track progress, and

guide internal and external communications. I welcome your specific input to our agenda.

Participants are as follows:

For CALEPA:

- Matt Rodriguez, Secretary for Environmental Protection
- Grant Cope, Deputy Secretary for Environmental Policy

For DTSC:

- Barbara Lee, Director
- Francesca Negri, Chief Deputy Director
- Ana Mascareñas, Deputy Director, Environmental Justice and Tribal Affairs
- Zoe Bayar, Assistant Deputy Director, Site Mitigation and Brownfields Reuse Program

For the County of Los Angeles:

- Cynthia Harding, Interim Director, Department of Public Health
- Angelo Bellomo, Deputy Director for Health Protection, Department of Public Health

For the City of Los Angeles (via VTC):

- Matt Petersen, Chief Sustainability Officer, Mayor's Office
- Lauren Faber, Deputy Chief Sustainability Officer, Mayor's Office

For EPA Region 9:

- Alexis Strauss, Acting Regional Administrator
- Enrique Manzanilla, Director, Superfund Division
- Jeff Scott, Director, Land Division

I look forward to working with you. Please feel free to call or email me at 415-972-3572 or [strauss.alexis@epa.gov](mailto:strauss.alexis@epa.gov).

Kind regards,

Alexis Strauss

Acting Regional Administrator